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A Letter to Dharma Protectors and Friends 2024

Dear Dharma protectors and friends,

Auspicious blessings!

"With heavenly blessings and protection, may fortune grace our homes." As the new year dawns and we move towards the Year of the Dragon, I, Hsin Bau, hereby extend my 2024 Lunar New Year greetings to you all on behalf of the Fo Guang Shan Board of Directors and all Fo Guang Shan monastics throughout the world. In the words of Venerable Master Hsing Yun, Founding Master of Fo Guang Shan, "May You Be Free as Cloud and Water, Auspicious and Joyful." I respectfully send my wishes to all of you: in all places, may you be peaceful and at ease; at all times, may you enjoy happiness and auspiciousness!

On February 5th last year, the day of the Lantern Festival, our beloved teacher Venerable Master Hsing Yun passed away peacefully at the age of 97. His departure was a deep source of sorrow. Following Venerable Master's final wishes and adhering to Buddhist customs, seven days later, on February 13th, the sevenfold assembly of disciples at Fo Guang Shan held the Memorial Service of Venerable Master Hsing Yun, the 48th Generation of the Linji School and Founding Master of Fo Guang Shan. The cremation ceremony later took place at Baihe Daxian Temple in Tainan. President Tsai Ing-wen personally offered her condolences and flowers and conferred a Presidential Citation Award. Kaohsiung City Mayor Chen Chi-mai presented an Honorary Citizen of Kaohsiung City Certificate, while Kuomintang Chairman Eric Chu presented an honorary firstclass medal. On February 19th, Pan Wen-chung, the Minister of Education, visited Fo Guang Shan to confer the highest national honor in education, the First-Class Professional Education Medal, to recognize the Venerable Master as



an exemplary educator. All of these bear witness to the Venerable Master's lifelong efforts in propagating Humanistic Buddhism worldwide, fostering cultural exchange, and advocating for cross-strait harmony and world peace.

Upon hearing of Venerable Master's passing, the Taiwan Affairs Office of the State Council, the State Administration for Religious Affairs, and the Buddhist Association of China immediately organized a condolence delegation and prepared to visit Taiwan. However, as this did not come to fruition, the groups commemorated him at Dajue Temple, the Ancestral Temple of Fo Guang Shan in Yixing instead. To return this

gesture of friendship, I led a Fo Guang Shan Appreciation Delegation to Beijing from February 28th to March 2nd, and visited organizations such as the Taiwan Affairs Office of the State Council, Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the People's Republic of China, the State Administration for Religious Affairs, and the Buddhist Association of China to express our gratitude. During this visit, all parties continued to foster the positive relations which the Venerable Master had established, and exchanged thoughts on future developments regarding cross-strait culture, Buddhism, and Chinese culture.

As disciples of Fo Guang Shan, we continue to uphold the principle of "regarding our teacher's aspirations and mindset as our own." In doing so, we spread Fo Guang Shan's core tenets: may the Buddha's light shine universally on the three thousand realms, and let the Dharma stream flow across all five continents. Two weeks later, on the anniversary of the Venerable Master's Renunciation Day, we held a book launch for the 395-volume expanded edition of The Complete Works of Venerable Master Hsing Yun. We aim to disseminate Venerable Master's precious teachings—his Dharma relics—for the benefit and joy of all sentient beings.

In memory of the Venerable Master, the 2023 Fo Guang Shan Chan and Pure Land Cultivation and Commemorative Light Offering Prayer Service for Venerable Master Hsing Yun was held at Fo Guang Shan Monastery in early March. Over ten thousand devotees participated in person and online to reverently praise the Buddha and Venerable Master. In May, Fo Guang Cultural Enterprise and Global Views-Commonwealth Publishing Group worked together to publish Venerable Master Hsing Yun's Teachings in Words

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and Actions: As Stated by His Disciples, edited by Venerable Yi Kung, Director of the FGS Culture Council. The book includes stories from thirty disciples that recount the Venerable Master's personal guidance and instruction. It highlights the depth of his teachings to disciples and has been well-received.

May 16th, 2023 marked the 57th anniversary of Fo Guang Shan and also coincided with the 100th day of Venerable Master's passing. On this occasion, Most Venerable Zongxing and Liu Wei, Vice President and Secretary-General of the Buddhist Association of China respectively, led a delegation to Fo Guang Shan to pay their respects. They also presented the 1,629-volume Jinling Canon, which was published by the Jinling Scriptural Press from Nanjing. As a return to this generous gesture, the monastery reciprocated with a complete set of the Fo Guang Buddhist Canon in both printed and digital editions. This included the Agama Canon, Chan Canon, Prajnaparamita Canon, Pure Land Canon, Lotus Canon, Yogacara Canon, Jataka Canon, and Sravaka Canon. This cross-strait exchange of Dharma treasures marked a new milestone in Buddhist relations. On the same day, monastic and lay assemblies from Fo Guang Shan branch temples around the world congregated online for events such as In Commemoration of Venerable Master Hsing Yun and Global Sutra Transcription Event, both of which were deeply meaningful.

The Dharma connections of the Venerable Master extend all over the globe. Although many devotees and people who have affinities with the Venerable Master were unable to personally attend the ceremonies due to time and space constraints, they shared their memories of him in The Merit Times. These heartwarming tributes, filled with sentiment and remembrance, have been ongoing for nearly a year. The Fo Guang Shan Institute of Humanistic Buddhism has compiled these essays and published a special issue titled "In Memory of an Eminent Master of an Era: Times with Venerable Master Hsing Yun" in Humanistic Buddhism: Journal, Arts, and Culture.

In August, six months after Venerable Master's passing, the elders of Fo Guang Shan Elder's Council and the nine members of the Fo Guang Shan Board of Directors followed traditional monastery rules as well as modern-day democratic procedures and nominated

me, Hsin Bau, as the Refuge Master during the Fo Guang Shan Board of Directors meeting. I am succeeding the Venerable Master as both the tonsure and precept master of Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Order, and I vow to continue Venerable Master's vision and focus on two main directions in Dharma propagation: fostering talents as well as developing the distinguishing features of the headquarters monastery and branch temples across the five continents.

Moreover, to commemorate the history of Venerable Master's founding of the Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Order and to document records of Humanistic Buddhist practitioners, the FGS Institute of Humanistic Buddhism launched a new series titled Oral Histories of Fo Guang Shan. The series, composed of interviews with founding elders, released its first installment in November, featuring interviews with Most Venerable Hsin Ting and Hsiao Pi-hsia Shigu.

In other tributes, Buddhists from various traditions in India, including Mahayana, Theravada, and Tibetan traditions, recited sutra texts and prayed for Venerable Master at Mahabodhi Temple in Bodh Gaya. Devotees across the five continents spontaneously organized memorial events. Cotia city in São Paulo, Brazil, dedicated an important two-kilometer-long road to Venerable Master, naming it Rua Venerável Mestre Hsing Yün in honor of his contributions to the Brazilian community. Furthermore, BLIA Sydney registered a star in the International Space Registry named "Venerable Master Hsing Yun" and received an official certificate.

New translations published this year made Venerable Master's teachings more globally accessible. These include Le Sutra du Lotus: La porte universelle du bodhisattva Avalokitesvara – Commentaire, the French edition of A Commentary on Avalokitesvara's Universal Gate Sutra; the Vietnamese edition of Views of Changing Destiny: Phương Pháp Sửa Đổi Mệnh Vận; and 다원화한 인생을 열다 — 성운대사의 「자학自學」의 길, the Korean edition of Activating the Slash Identity, the Korean edition of Activating the Slash Identity: Venerable Master Hsing Yun's Path of Self-Education. Moreover, the Association of Ancient and Modern Humanities, Chunghua, completed and promoted the Thai and Arabic editions of Venerable Master Hsing Yun's 365 Days for Travelers: Wisdom from Chinese Literary and Buddhist Classics. To

date, the book has been published in 13 languages and distributed over 1.82 million copies to hotels worldwide.

Under the theme "Vast as the Cosmos," the Humanistic Buddhism Reading Club Headquarters enthusiastically promoted the National Reading Expo both domestically and abroad. Over 5,000 people gathered to study and read together. The Fo Guang Shan Global Information Network launched the "Venerable Master Hsing Yun's Audiovisual Dharma Teachings," featuring productions from Humanistic Buddhism's "iBuddha" series by Buddha's Light Television (BLTV). Through this online audiovisual platform, people around the world can listen to Venerable Master's teachings.

In October, following the pandemic, the Buddha's Light International Association (BLIA) held the 2023 BLIA General Conference with the theme "Coexistence and Coprosperity." 2,500 members from nearly 50 countries and regions and 110 associations gathered at Fo Guang Shan Headquarters to commemorate the Venerable Master. During the conference, the newly established BLIA Dubai was officially recognized. A 21-language "Ode to the Triple Gem" was presented by Jenny Chen Ralske, sung by international artists from over ten countries as a tribute to our beloved Venerable Master. Furthermore, a delegation from Fo Guang Shan Headquarters and BLIA led Taiwanese devotees to Dajue Temple, the Ancestral Temple of Fo Guang Shan in Yixing. This fulfilled the wishes of global BLIA members in paying respects to our ancestral masters.

Established 26 years ago, BLIA Young Adult Division (YAD) has grown from the initial 23 sub-divisions to 250 worldwide. In June, they published Bodhisattva Hearts, Youthful Vitality: 58 Ways to Benefit Self and Other, featuring coming-of-age stories of YAD members over its 25-year history. In July, they returned to Fo Guang Shan Headquarters to hold the 2023 Wisdom and Innovation International Buddha's Light Young Adult Conference. Additionally, Fo Guang Harmonics released a new digital album titled "One for All." BLIA YAD, Chunghua, organized the "Motorcycle Marathon Around the Island in Venerable Master Hsing Yun's Footsteps," exhibiting a creative way to remember the Venerable Master and to hold on to their original

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aspiration of following the footsteps of the Venerable Master.

To continue the teachings of the Buddha, over 20 young adults from Singapore, Malaysia, the United States, Canada, Australia, India, and Taiwan were ordained as monastics at Fo Guang Shan Tsung Lin University. All of the aspirants vow to carry on the Venerable Master's work of spreading Humanistic Buddhism — they truly bring joy and inspiration.

Building on the foundation of Venerable Master's guidance to his sevenfold assembly of disciples, our efforts in teaching the Dharma and intercultural exchange have never waned. In March, we formed a delegation with the United Association of Humanistic Buddhism, Chunghua, and made our first joint visit to the Vatican. Pope Francis received us with the highest honors, praising Venerable Master Hsing Yun as "a master of interreligious hospitality." Together with Buddhist representatives, the Pope silently prayed for world peace for three minutes in this historic gathering of two major religions. In May, we co-hosted the first "Praise the Buddha Grand Concert," where choirs from various Buddhist organizations, including Luminary International Buddhist Society, Bliss and Wisdom Sangha, and the Association for the Promotion of Buddhist Music, Chunghua, sang together at the Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum. Their singing permeated three-thousand realms, bringing the Dharma across a thousand-billion lands.

In November, Venerable Tzu Jung, Acting President of the Buddha's Light International Association, led a delegation to the Tranquil Mind, Auspicious Coexistence Third China-US-Canada Buddhist Forum, which was held on the banks of the Qiantang River in Hangzhou. Venerable Miao Guang gave a presentation on "The Translation and Spread of Buddhist Texts in the Global Era." Moreover, the BLIA Taipei Choir, Fo Guang Harmonics, and the cast of Siddhartha: The Musical from the Philippines were invited to perform at the forum's Coexistence and Auspiciousness Buddhist Music Concert. Their performances of Buddhist songs written by Venerable Master Hsing Yun received thunderous applause from the audience.

In terms of education, Guang Ming College, the first Buddhist-founded university in the Philippines, was inaugurated in June by College President Dr. Michael Tan after nine years of construction. Guang Ming

College is the youngest member of the Fo Guang Shan University Consortium founded by Venerable Master. Nan Tien Institute in Australia once again received accreditation from the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency for its Master of Applied Buddhist Studies and Graduate Diploma. In October, Dr. Minh-Hoa Ta, President of the University of the West in the United States, and Datuk Dr. Ewe Hong Tat, President of Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR) in Malaysia, signed a memorandum of understanding to promote transnational teacher training and collaboration in academic research.

Under the leadership of Presidents Lin Tsong-ming and Ho Jow-fei respectively, both Nanhua University and Fo Guang University in Taiwan achieved several honors, including the Ministry of Education's "Friendly Campus Award for Outstanding Schools." For the eighth year in a row, Nanhua University ranked in the top 100 green universities worldwide and first in the nation, as well as tying first in waste-management in global rankings. Sparing no effort in promoting education, the Fo Guang Shan Juntou International School of Experimental Education became an official IELTS test centre authorized by the British Council. Moreover, the Venerable Master Hsing Yun Public Education Trust Fund is now in its 13th year of promoting the TAG (Three Acts of Goodness) School Campaign. To date, it has presented awards to 268 schools and benefited over 3 million students. The Merit Times promoted newspaper-reading in schools and has become the most widely read newspaper in Taiwanese schools. In the 2023 academic year, 451 schools and over 150,000 students read The Merit Times on a daily basis.

Abroad, Fo Guang Shan New Zealand hosted the Ninth Annual 3G4G Festival of Cultural Sharing, which has become an important outdoor educational program for local schools. Nearly 5,000 teachers and students participated in the 10-day event. Additionally, Fo Guang Publications, Malaysia, published the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels of Buddhist Textbook for Middle School Students. This series is supported by the Ministry of Education and written by UTAR President Datuk Dr. Ewe Hong Tat, and is now widely used in Malaysian middleschool Buddhist societies, libraries, Buddhist organizations, and temples.

In response to climate change, Dharma propagation efforts have shifted to align with current conditions. The FGS

Culture Council has signed cooperative agreements and memorandums of understanding with National Taiwan University and I-Shou University to develop initiatives such as research and development for vegetarian food for carbon reduction and digital archiving. In May, The Merit Times and Friends of The Merit Times, Chunghua held the International Vegetable Culture Festival at the Taipei World Trade Center. The Pure Green Veg Food Guide recognized over 300 manufacturers and 600 stalls, along with 46 exemplary "star-rated" vegetarian restaurants across Taiwan in the award ceremony. Collectively, these vegetarian enterprises are a significant force in promoting healthy vegetarianism. Notably, BLIA and the Pure Green Foundation co-organized VegRun and promoted the "You Run, I Give" campaign. The campaign garnered participants from all continents and contributed holistically to sustainable development.

In terms of international humanitarian aid, following the major earthquake in Turkey in February, the BLIA World Headquarters, along with the BLIA Malaysia Federation and the Malaysia Sin Chew Foundation, dispatched a large quantity of supplies including army beds, tents, and blankets for assistance. In October, Fo Guang Shan New Delhi Educational and Cultural Centre and the Fo Guang Shan Sramanera College, India, organized the Traditional Chinese Medicine Free Medical Camp in Assam, India. Doctors of Traditional Chinese Medicine and dentistry from Singapore, Malaysia, the United States, and Taiwan served approximately 3,000 beneficiaries.

In the presence of sunlight, the Buddha's Light shines. The 300 branch temples, established worldwide by the Venerable Master, diligently labored to unlock the inner gates of wisdom of all sentient beings. Dajue Temple, the Ancestral Temple of Fo Guang Shan in Yixing, especially serves as a root of faith for both domestic and overseas Fo Guang members. In May, Dajue Temple held the Celestial Palace Dharma Treasures Enshrinement Ceremony, permanently enshrining thirty-five categories and 30,000 volumes of Dharma treasures, including Buddhist canons, The Complete Works of Venerable Master Hsing Yun, and One-Stroke Calligraphy, in the temple's Sutra Repository. In November, Dajue Temple held its first Water and Land Dharma Service. Solemn in its rituals and

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venues, the service brought Dharma joy to all and benefitted both the living and the deceased. The Master Hsing Yun Cultural and Educational Foundation and FGS Institute of Humanistic Buddhism hosted the 8th Humanistic Buddhism Young Scholars Forum at Dajue Temple, where over 30 postgraduate students from around the world presented their papers and renewed the vitality of research on Humanistic Buddhism.

Good deeds continue to flourish under the collective effort of the global Fo Guang Shan community. The Buddha Museum turned thirteen this year and renewed its memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the British Library in April to share resources and facilitate cultural exchange. In May, the Venerable Master Hsing Yun Memorial Academic Conference—Buddhist Maritime Silk Road and Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum 10th Anniversary Book Launch Conference was held. In the same month, the Buddha Museum also signed MoUs with the National Palace Museum, the National Museum of Marine Science and Technology, and the Yunlin County Government. In December, the Buddha Museum held a joint exhibition with the Dunhuang Academy titled “Silk Road Splendor: Dunhuang Cave Art Exhibition.” Moreover, the museum’s long-term efforts in sustainability earned the Environmental Education Award and the Energy Management Award in the ESG Awards. Over the past two years, the museum staff have acquired 111 professional certifications including energy managers and environmental educators, significantly advancing public education.

The Shoushan Temple in Kaohsiung reopened in June, a historical location that detailed Venerable Master’s over 60 years of Dharma propagation efforts in Kaohsiung. The Kaohsiung Buddhist Hall held a groundbreaking and blessing ceremony for its new construction in August and Chen Chi-mai, the City Mayor, and his office attended the ceremony. Construction work to temporarily relocate the temple commenced in mid-December. In mid-November, the Samantabhadra Shrine at Fo Guang Shan Headquarters was fitted with a new elevator and tea meditation space, making the shrine more accessible to devotees. Moreover, after 30 years of effort, San Bao Temple in San Francisco and Chung Tian Temple in Australia began reconstructions on their current sites and held foundation-laying ceremonies

for their main shrines. Additionally, the opening of IBPS Paraguay, now the largest Buddhist temple in the country, was especially noteworthy. A Triple Gem and Five Precepts Ceremony was held concurrently and participated by over 200 devotees from Paraguay, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay, Argentina, as well as second- and third-generations of the Chinese diaspora. This is a celebration of Buddhism taking roots in South America.

To realize the Venerable Master’s vision of promoting cultural and educational causes, the Venerable Master Hsing Yun Public Education Trust Fund held the 11th Hsing Yun Award for Education. The Trust presented the Lifetime Dedication Award in Education to Dr. Lee Lin-Shan, Emeritus Professor of National Taiwan University, and recognized 22 outstanding teachers. Furthermore, the 13th Global Hsing Yun Award in Chinese Literature honored indigenous writer Syaman Rapongan and celebrated 27 individuals with awards in categories such as historical fiction, journalism, essays, and contemporary poetry.

BLIA Chunghua received the national Gold Award in public welfare and is the only religious service organization to win the award twice. Furthermore, the Ministry of the Interior’s Religious Public Welfare Award recognized twelve Fo Guang Shan branch temples, including Lanyang Temple, Chi Le Temple, Ze Shan Temple, Fa Bao Temple, Ta Ming Temple, Toufen Hong Fa Temple, Fu Shan Temple, Yuan Fu Temple, Hui Tzu Temple, Nanping Temple, Gangshan Lecture Hall, and Hai Tian Temple.

Yuan Fu Temple in particular received the National Architecture Gold Award—Public Construction Quality Award. Fo Guang Shan Singapore was honored with the Community Spirit Merit Award for the fourth time. Nan Tien Temple in Australia received the Excellence in Cultural & Community Events Award. Additionally, the Fo Guang Shan Compassion Foundation was certified as a Chinese Public Welfare Ambassador by the Chinese Industry Commerce Economy Trade Science & Technology Development Association.

Most Venerable Hsin Ting, Abbot of Thai Hua Temple, was honored with the Ashoka Pillar of Moral Leadership Award by the Thai royal family, the only Chinese monk to receive this honor in 2023. Venerable Jue Cheng, Head Abbess

of Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, and India, was appointed as a member of the Harmony Committee among Religious Believers (HARMONI) by the Prime Minister of Malaysia. Venerable Ru Bin, Abbess of Hsingma Temple, was appointed as a member of the Negeri Johor Inter-Faith Harmony Committee. Venerable Manshin, Abbess of Fo Guang Shan New Zealand, was honored as one of the 100 Local Heroes of 2023 by Kiwibank; and Venerable Miao Ru, Abbess of the FGS Kolkata Buddhist Centre, received the Manyata Award in Kolkata, India.

As 2024 approaches, we continue to advance our Dharma propagation efforts as we remember the Venerable Master. We hold on to what the Venerable Master often says, “I am Fo Guang Shan; who else is responsible for Fo Guang Shan if not me?” We should also encourage ourselves that as practitioners of Humanistic Buddhism, we need to be a buddha, practice as a buddha, and become a buddha. By unhesitatingly taking responsibility, uniting as one, and working together, only then can we ensure that Buddhism will have a bright future, people will live in peace and happiness, and the world will be at peace.

I am deeply grateful for your continuous support, daily dedication, and constant diligence. My heartfelt thanks are beyond words. With sincere hearts, I wish everyone:

An Auspicious New Year of Ease and Peace

Hsin Bau

Head Abbot

Chairperson, Fo Guang Board of Directors

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新加坡佛光山腊八粥供众 体现人间佛教的温馨

于1月14日凌晨3点新加坡佛光山的大寮灯火通明，香积菩萨们已开始烹煮腊八粥。接近9点另一批义工陆续抵达，将腊八粥分装并运送至全岛200多位功德主、信徒和义工家中。

其中一个运送组的是由新加坡佛光青年分团团团长杨雅婷，带领成员包括适逢来此参访的4位台湾佛光青年，运送15份腊八粥到功德主家。国际佛光会中华佛光青年总团，南区副团团长王郁婷表示，很



开心能在新加坡参访行程中，参与此一有意义的活动，与本地的佛光人结缘，也藉由这个机会更贴近了

解新加坡的文化，祈愿把平安幸福分享给每一个人。

当天共修法会后，信众纷纷至五观堂享用期待已久的腊八粥，近1,800份的腊八粥在短短1小时内分发完毕，以此纪念佛陀接受牧羊女供养的糜乳，恢复体力之后，于农历12月8日夜睹明星，领悟缘起中道，证道成佛。在佛门农历十二月初八也是重要节日之一的法宝节。

(知禎)

新学年新气象 弥陀学校承先启后续辉煌

新年伊始，新加坡佛光山1月13日早上，在弥陀学校大礼堂举办第17届弥陀学校儿童与家长佛学班开学典礼，今年特别新增 Mindfulness Class，吸引22名小学生报名。住持妙穆法师、辅导法师知海法师、弥陀学校校长陈珊珊、3位副校长李崇达、黄国兴、黄仪兰、弥陀学校督导汪忠平、弥陀校友会会长黄金标、国际佛光会新加坡协会督导周应雄、曾炳南和吴毓新、会长苏政文、副会长吕美成、理事、佛光青年分团、弥陀学校校友执行委员、老师、学生和家长们等近180人参与。

陈珊珊在致词中表示，今年是弥陀学校创校70周年，主题是「承先启后，续辉煌」。弥陀学校一直秉持和弘扬佛教文化的理念，注重学生品德和正向思惟的培养。新的一年，新的开始、新的课程、新的学习，学生们应该制定新的目标和



计划，追求新的进步。通过儿童佛学班的学习，希望学子们能更好地面对生活中的挑战，取得更好的发展，成为有担当有智慧的新一代。在生活中实践「三好四给」，善用时间，每一天做最好的自己。

在授证仪式中，代表93名学生与家长的8名学生和2名家长受证后，小六生和家长代表带领全体学生和家长们，分别宣读佛光小菩萨誓言和家长誓愿。

妙穆法师透过杯子的比喻，鼓励学生要保持良好的学习态度。一个装满水的杯子好比一个人已经充满自己的观念和想法；一个倒扣的杯子如一个人不能接受师长的

指导和教诲；一个破了洞的杯子就如一个人听言，左耳进右耳出；一个沾满灰尘的杯子譬喻一个人心里充满污秽。大家应该做干净的杯子，才能更好的学习，吸收新的知识。在学习当中，要能够虚心接受指导和教训，就像一座佛像的雕塑需要经历和忍受长时间的敲打，在精雕细琢下，才能成为值得人们膜拜的佛像。

妙穆法师进而强调品德修养的重要性，鼓励学生们通过佛学班的学习培养品德，实践三好，端正自己的行为。新的一年，万象更新，从落实三好开始，广结善缘，以良好的开始和计划、良好的学习态度，成就新的自己。最后送上弥陀学校70周年校庆祝福，祝愿弥陀学校「继续发光发热，桃李满天下」。

典礼由佛光青年分团活力四射的三好舞蹈，划下美好的句点。

(庄芳兰、知禎)

新加坡年度入学礼与义剪

新加坡佛光山于2024年1月1日举办一年一度的入学礼祈福与义剪，在新学年的开始，为学子们带来佛菩萨的加持，于新的一年中能安定身心，开拓更有效率的学习领域。近200名学生身着校服，参与这场庄严的祈福典礼。

住持妙穆法师洒净后开示，以3种杯子做为学习心态的譬喻。第一种是倒盖的杯子，无法容纳新的学习；第二种是破洞的杯子永远不能装水，寓意对老师的教导立刻就

忘记；最后一种是肮脏的杯子，装的水不能喝，代表心里的杂念和怀疑。提醒学生要避免此3种学习态度。

妙穆法师鼓励大家多回到法身



慧命之家，如参加儿童佛学班等，增加智慧，将自己塑造得更好，帮助周边需要帮助的人。

当天，拥有7个电视频道和12个电台频道的新加坡新传媒 (Mediacorp Pte. Ltd.) 采访妙穆法师。他详细解释入学礼和义剪已经持续20多年，义剪的意义是在于让学生以新发型、崭新的面孔迎接新的学年。但不局限于学生，也非常欢迎家长、信徒报名参加。

(知禎、陈建慈)

新加坡管理学院佛学社参访 促进佛教文化交流

国际佛光会新加坡协会及新加坡佛光青年分团于1月6日，接引来自新加坡管理学院佛学社的委员和成员们参访新加坡佛光山，促进佛教文化交流。

午斋后，新加坡佛光青年分团辅导法师妙裕法师指导禅画，9位佛学社委员及成员都非常投入在禅修的音乐中作画。妙裕法师说，在画画中观自己的心，因为画画能反映当下的心情，并欣赏自己的画作，不要和别人比较，因为各个画作都是独特的。

下午，国际佛光会新加坡协会会长苏政文以「我是否够好吗？」为主题，分享鼓励大家在读书、做生意或工作中提升自己，积极为自己创造机会。苏政文说，因为外界的因素，人们往往对自己的生活不满足，期望得到愈多东西，反而会



给自己不必要的压力和负面情绪。他提醒学员们要知足常乐，珍惜当下所拥有的。

新加坡佛光山住持妙穆法师表示，每个人都希望想要自己更好，在

佛法中可以通过修行，在不足的地方修整自己的行为。例如，对人多宽容、多帮助别人，并例举佛光山开山祖师星云大师的经历，敦促大家要进步，就需要虚心接受大众的指导。妙穆法师鼓励佛学社的委员及成员们多来寺院多参加青年团活动，多接触佛法。

管理学院佛学社副社长Rosie提到，感觉常被一位朋友利用。妙穆法师鼓励Rosie应该转念，要觉得开心，给人利用是一件好事，因为才华被欣赏。其中一位委员Khoi说到，常常在禅修时有妄念，如何放下？妙穆法师说，人总是有许多念头，建议在禅修时，可以专注在呼吸上。

交流最后，妙穆法师邀请大家，欢迎1月21日一起来寺围炉。

(张子庭)

新加坡佛光山颁发敦亲睦邻助学金

新加坡佛光山于12月30日协同国际佛光会新加坡协会，举办年度大型「敦亲睦邻颁发助学金典礼活动」，分别颁发了248份助学金予110名小学生和138名中学生。

住持妙穆法师以佛光山开山祖师星云大师2024年墨宝「云水自在，祥和欢喜」祝福语为开场献词，祈愿大家在新的一年里世界和平、无有战争，像祥和的白云、清澈的流水，自在平安美好圆满。

妙穆法师提及，今年国际佛光会世界会员代表大会主题「共生共荣」，其中一个意义即是举办敦亲睦邻活动的宗旨，以实践佛法中的同体共生，无缘要大慈，同体要大悲；平等融合与社会共生共荣的精神。

佛光山以四大宗旨办活动，而大师特别重视「教育」。在印度、菲律宾、非洲的道场，完全提供免费教育给弱势家庭的孩子；因为大师相信，唯有教育才能翻转这些孩子的命运。

总理公署政务部长陈国明受邀致词时说，新加坡是一个岛国，岛上唯一的资源就是人力资



源；因此勉励所有莘莘学子要能以国家未来主人翁自居，承载着国家未来的希望。陈国明特别感谢新加

坡佛光山和国际佛光会新加坡协会不分种族与宗教，为白沙榜鹅区的学生提供助学金，以促进不同宗教和种族之间的和谐。

除了颁奖活动，新加坡佛光山敦煌舞蹈班呈献的「三好扇子舞」，佛光青年分会的「手语Harmonize」，是项活动不分种族与宗教，约有600多名佛光人与学生家长偕同出席典礼。

贵宾还有国务资政兼国家安全统筹部长，白沙榜鹅集选区议员张志贤，卫生部兼通讯及新闻部高级政务部长普杰立、总理公署政务部长陈国明、内政部兼社会及家庭部政务部长孙雪玲、白沙榜鹅集选区议员杨浣凌、白沙榜鹅集选区议员沙礼尔、白沙榜鹅集选区各位基层领袖，新加坡佛光山顾问杨木光、房枚赫、叶伟明、陈友明、黎慧丽、林焕章，国际佛光会新加坡协会督导周应雄、沈清发、会长苏政文。

妙穆法师代表赠送2024年星云大师墨宝给贵宾们，此次的颁奖典礼在欢乐和祥和的气氛中圆满落幕。

(吕美成、黄婉真)

行动说感恩 新加坡佛青共创温馨晚宴

新加坡佛光青年分团及少青在12月16日于新加坡佛光山，以冬季主题的晚宴盛情招待新加坡佛光山住持妙穆法师与诸众法师、师姑、功德主魏彰锥大德和国际佛光会新加坡协会督导长郑万联、会长苏政文、副会长黄爱莲、秘书长黄耀兴等理事近70人，以对法师、功德主们、国际佛光会新加坡协会和佛光爸妈们在过去一年对佛光青年们的细心指导、鼓励和照顾，表示感谢。

今年的菜单是由新加坡佛光青年分团团杨雅婷策划，并带领青年们在厨房烹调8道精致的融合中西式餐点——从开胃菜、汤品、前菜、副食、主食、小菜到甜而不腻的甜点，每道都色香味俱全。节目方面，则是由白象干部一级覃祖耀携手资深青年带领佛光青年们一

起，以一系列精采无比的节目，例如：现代舞，长笛演奏等才艺，搭配餐点款待佛光爸爸妈妈们，令人拍手说好。

妙穆法师在开示时，特别赞赏在晚宴中看到了青年们的用心，并鼓励青年们在获得快乐的同时，也可以借机修习佛法。青年们的发心和勇于承担的精神，也令住持很欣慰并希望新加坡佛光山和佛光会可以接迎更多青年，把佛法、人间



佛教和佛光的精神继续传承下去。苏政文也表示，感谢佛光青年们有承担佛教传承的心。同时嘱咐佛光爸爸妈妈一定要和青年多交流并学习现代的潮流和社会趋向，把活动办得更年轻化，方能与年轻一辈更好的沟通。

新加坡佛光青年分团团杨雅婷在感谢词中说到，感谢法师和佛光爸妈们对于佛光青年的支持，并说道法师们和佛光爸妈们永远都是青年们的榜样。杨雅婷承诺在卸任之前，会努力培养出更多优秀青年，负起传承的重担。

此次晚宴不止让新加坡佛光山法师与佛光爸妈们看到了佛光青年的成长、集体创作和勇于承担的精神，更是充分地展现佛光青年们的用心与诚心。（黄子航）

新加坡佛光山二〇二四年二月及三月活动表 FEBRUARY / MARCH 2024 PROGRAMME OF FO GUANG SHAN (SINGAPORE)

法会 Dharma Service

| 活动 ACTIVITY | 日期 DATE | 星期 DAY | 时间 TIME |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------------------------|
| 除夕/岁末普佛 早课/烧年香/朝山 | 9/2 | 五 Fri | 8:30 pm 11:00 pm |
| 叩平安钟 礼千佛 | 10/2 | 六 Sat | 12:00 midnight 10:00 am - 11:30 am |
| 供佛斋天 | 16/2 | 五 Fri | 8:00 pm - 12:00 midnight |
| 礼千佛/上佛供/新春团拜 | 18/2 | 日 Sun | 10:00 am - 11:30 am |
| 上佛供 上灯法会 | 24/2 | 六 Sat | 10:30 am - 11:30 am 8:00 pm |
| 共修法会/庆生会 | 25/2, 3/3 | | 10:00 am - 12:00 noon |
| 大悲忏法会 | 10/3 | | 10:00 am |
| 梁皇宝忏 洒净 卷一 卷二 | 17/3 | 日 Sun | 9:15 am 10:00 am 1:30 pm |
| 梁皇宝忏 卷三 卷四 | 23/3 | 六 Sat | 2:00 pm 4:00 pm |
| 梁皇宝忏 卷五 卷六 | 24/3 | 日 Sun | 10:00 am 1:30 pm |
| 梁皇宝忏 卷七 卷八 | 30/3 | 六 Sat | 2:00 pm 3:30 pm |
| 梁皇宝忏 卷九 卷十 总回向 | 31/3 | 日 Sun | 10:00 am 1:30 pm 3:00 pm |

2024年 新加坡佛光山 社教课程总表

2024
新班招生

| 序 | 课程名称 | 时间 | 授课老师 | 堂数 | 上课地点 |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------|----|---------|
| 星期二 Tuesday | | | | | |
| 1 | 六祖坛经讲话 | 10:00am - 11:30am | 妙觉法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 2 | English Dharma Class-Intermediate | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 吕美成老师 | 32 | 3楼 滴水书坊 |
| 3 | 佛门行仪 | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 如全法师 | 8 | 1楼 大殿 |
| 星期三 Wednesday | | | | | |
| 4 | 妙慧读书会 ~《维摩诘经》 | 10:00am - 11:30am | 妙穆法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 5 | 佛事助念班(发心司法器者; 需经面谈) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 如全法师 | 24 | 4楼 西方堂 |
| 6 | English Dharma Class - Sutra | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 萧仲文老师 | 32 | 4楼 教室 |
| 星期四 Thursday | | | | | |
| 7 | 佛法概论 | 10:00am - 11:30am | 知禎法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 8 | 禅话禅画-白天(材料另收费) | 1:30pm - 3:00pm | 妙裕法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 9 | English Dharma Class - Basic | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 知育法师 | 32 | 4楼 教室 |
| 10 | 禅话禅画-晚班(材料另收费) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 妙裕法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 11 | 基础法器班(发心司法器者; 需经面谈) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 钟玮娴老师 | 24 | 4楼 西方堂 |
| 12 | 周四禅修班(需具佛学基础; 着修道服) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 有弘法师 | 32 | 1楼 大殿 |
| 星期五 Friday | | | | | |
| 13 | 抄经修持班(着修道服) | 10:00am - 11:30am | 知海法师 | 32 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 14 | 周五禅修班(需具佛学基础; 着修道服) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 妙裕法师 | 32 | 1楼 大殿 |
| 星期六 Saturday | | | | | |
| 15 | 家长读书会 | 7:30pm - 9:30pm | 妙裕法师 | 24 | 2楼 会议室 |
| 星期天 Sunday | | | | | |
| 16 | 松鹤学堂(每个月的第三个星期日) | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | 陈永汉老师 | 8 | 4楼 教室 |

| 序 | 课程名称 | 时间 | 授课老师 | 堂数 | 上课地点 |
|---------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------|----|--------|
| 星期三 Wednesday | | | | | |
| 1 | 粉彩画班(材料另收费) | 10:00am - 11:30am | 林美云老师 | 16 | 4楼 教室 |
| 星期四 Thursday | | | | | |
| 2 | 周四素食烹饪班(材料另收费) 不接受当天报名 | 10:00am - 11:30pm | 陈梅桂老师 | 16 | B1 大斋堂 |
| 星期五 Friday | | | | | |
| 3 | 儿童敦煌舞蹈班 K2- P6 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 敦煌舞蹈师资团 | 16 | B1 教室 |
| 4 | 少年敦煌舞蹈班 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 敦煌舞蹈师资团 | 16 | 2楼 图书馆 |
| 5 | 中国彩墨画班(材料另收费) | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 林禄在老师 | 16 | 4楼 教室 |
| 6 | 中医医疗保健班 | 8:00pm - 9:30pm | 成文鸾医师 | 16 | B1 义工室 |
| 星期六 Saturday | | | | | |
| 7 | 儿童6F全脑训练进阶班(材料另收费) | 1:15pm - 2:45pm | 颜宁老师 | 16 | 4楼 教室 |
| 8 | 儿童珠心算进阶班(材料另收费) | 3:00pm - 4:30pm | 颜宁老师 | 16 | 4楼 教室 |
| 9 | 成人敦煌舞蹈B班- 初级 | 3:00pm - 4:30pm | 黄莉莉师姑 | 16 | 4楼 钟鼓楼 |
| 10 | 成人敦煌舞蹈A班- 进阶 | 4:30pm - 6:00pm | 黄莉莉师姑 | 16 | 4楼 钟鼓楼 |
| 11 | 素食烹饪周六班(材料另收费) 不接受当天报名 | 3:30pm - 5:00pm | 陈梅桂老师 | 16 | B1 大斋堂 |
| 星期天 Sunday | | | | | |
| 12 | 人间音缘合唱团 | 1:30pm - 3:30pm | 郭淑萍老师 | 24 | 4楼 教室 |

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